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1. OUR COMMENTS SHOULD BE SEEN AS BEING MADE IN THE
ABSENCE OF A BILATERAL AID PROGRAM FOR THE CONGO, AND
WITHOUT PLANS FOR HAVING ONE. THIS DOES NOT MEAN FOR A
MOMENT, HOWEVER, THAT IN OUR VIEW, WE OUGHT NOT TO
CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO EMPHASIZE TO THE GOCB THE DEEP
IMPORTANCE WHICH WE ATTACH TO HUMAN RIGHTS. WE HAVE
COMMENTED PREVIOUSLY ON OUR APPROACHES TO
THE GOCB CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS DURING THE TRIAL
EARLIER THIS YEAR OF THE ACCUSED ASSASSINS OF PRESIDENT
NGOUABI. WE WILL REPORT SUBSEQUENTLY ON THE CONGO'S
GENERAL REGARD ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. THERE ARE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS HERE WHICH WE WOULD
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FLAG FOR PRESENT PURPOSES: THE MANNER OF THE EXPULSION LAST YEAR
OF WEST AFRICAN TRAD
RS AND THE CONTINUALLY POOR TREATMENT ACCORDED
CONGOLESE WOMEN. AS WE ENCOURAGE THE CONGOLESE TO PARTICIPATE
IN REGIONAL AID PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED THROUGH ADO
YAOUNDE, WE BELIEVE THE POINT OUGHT TO BE MADE TO
THE CONGOLESE THAT SUCH REGIONAL COOPERATION IMPLIES THAT

OFFENDING THE PEOPLES AND GOVERNMENTS OF COUNTRIES WITH WHICH
THE CONGO IS PARTICIPATING IN SUCH PROGRAMS COULD WELL JEOPARDIZE
THEIR BENEFITS, I.E., POINTING OUT THAT IF THE CONGOLESE ARE
UNABLE TO GET ALONG, FOR INSTANCE, WITH CAMEROONIAN MUSLIMS
IN THE CONGO, PERHAPS IT IS NOT WORTH OUR WHILE TO ENCOURAGE
CONGOLESE TO DRAW ON, FOR INSTANCE, REGIONAL HEALTH PROGRAMS
WHICH PUT THEM IN CONTACT WITH CAMEROONIANS. CONVERSELY, LET'S
NOTE FOR THEM THAT ONE OF THE CLEAR OBJECTIVES OF REGIONAL AID
IS TO ENCOURAGE CLOSER AFRICAN COOPERATION. WE CAN MAKE
THE ATTENDANT POINT THAT WITH THE PRECIPITATE DEPARTURE
OF SENEGALESE AND MGB
XNS, FOR INSTANCE, THE CONGOLESE
HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE THEMSELVES TO TAKE OVER THE CRAFTS
WHICH THE OTHERS FORMERLY PERFORMED (DIAMOND SMUGGLING,
WEAVING, GOLD WORK, AND TANNING), WITH AN ACCOMPANYING
DECREASE IN REVENUE, GOODS AND SERVICES.

3. SECONDLY, AS WE HAVE OBSERVED, AND HAS BEEN CONFIRMED
BY UN SPECIALISTS IN THE FIELD, THE ROLE OF THE CONGOLESE
WOMAN IS ABYSMAL, EVEN IN COMPARISON WITH OTHER NEARBY STATES.
TO BE SURE, THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS,
AS IN ANY SOCIETY BUT, IN GENERAL, THERE IS LITTLE
UPWARD MOBILITY, AND WOMEN'S WORK IS DISPROPORTIONATELY
HEAVY AND MANUAL. IN ORDER TO HELP TURN THIS AROUND
(FAR FAR MORE WILL BE NEEDED TO REALLY HAVE AN IMPACT),
WE ARE EXAMINING "WOMEN-IN-DEVELOPMENT" PROJECTS, AND
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THE USE OF SELF-HELP FUNDS TO ENGAGE CONGOLESE WOMEN IN
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